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RESPONSE

In response to the Communication dated April 11, 2002, Applicants enclose a clean version of Amended claim 90 (originally submitted on Feb. 13, 2002).

In the Claims:

Sub 1 90. A method of repeatedly measuring a known volume of a fluid in a miniature fluidic system, comprising:

B1 providing a microfabricated device having at least first and second chambers disposed therein, wherein said at least first and second chambers are in fluid connection, each comprise at least one vent port, and wherein at least one of said chambers is a volumetric chamber having a known volume;

filling said volumetric chamber with said fluid to create a first aliquot of said fluid; transporting said first aliquot of said fluid to said at least second chamber; and repeating said filling and transporting steps by applying pressure from an external source.

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